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IN RE APPLICATION OF:

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Applicant:

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Title: HERMETIC SEAL ON METALLIZED FIBER

**OPTICS** 

## COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

Commissioner for Patents Box Issue Fee Customer Window, Randolph Building 401 Dulany Street Alexandria, VA 22314

Sir:

With respect to the Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance for the allowed claims as set forth in the Notice of Allowability, Applicants agree with the Examiner that the pending claims are allowable over the prior art. However, the pending claims recite a combination of features, and patentability of these claims resides in those combinations. As such, there may be additional basis for patentability beyond those specifically identified by the Examiner.

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